

From: [Walden, Ted](#)
To: [Pressley, Miriam](#)
Subject: FW: HEPACO NPFC
Date: Wednesday, May 13, 2020 4:48:11 PM

From: Williamson, Carter <Williamson.Carter@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 7, 2018 5:32 PM
To: Walden, Ted <Walden.Ted@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: HEPACO NPFC

Yeah. Grady never mentioned a PRFA and there wasn't mention of a contractor at all. So HEPACO trying to get money out of us without so much as a verbal is fairly ludicrous. In next week. We shall chat.

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On Sep 7, 2018, at 2:18 PM, Walden, Ted <[Walden.Ted@epa.gov](#)> wrote:

They are filing a claim to the fund as the RP stiffed them. They are hoping an OSC (basically me or you as I don't know who else they could turn to) will email the Fund Center to say the material was oil, that it threatened waters, and that their work was in accordance with the NCP. Are you in next week to discuss?

From: Williamson, Carter
Sent: Thursday, September 6, 2018 2:13:24 PM
To: Walden, Ted
Subject: Re: HEPACO NPFC

We didn't deploy to this or give the state a PRFA to my knowledge. Grady stringer went out there but we didn't speak to a PRFA or compensating any ER contractor for their assistance. I'm confused.

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On Sep 6, 2018, at 2:05 PM, Walden, Ted <Walden.Ted@epa.gov> wrote:

Can you answer this for him? Ted

From: Colin Falato [<mailto:cfalato@hepaco.com>]
Sent: Thursday, September 6, 2018 12:51 PM
To: Walden, Ted <Walden.Ted@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: HEPACO NPFC

Good Afternoon Mr. Walden,

We are preparing to re-submit our claims package to the National Pollution Funds Center. I spoke with the NPC claims manager he provided me with additional clarification what information they would need from the EPA FOSC for this region even though an FOSC was not physically present. You mentioned that you were not the EPA OSC of record for this event. Is there another person I should speak with?

The claims manager requested a brief statement from an FOSC in review of the spill response whether the material spilled was oil, if it substantially threatened a navigable waterway of the United States, and that removal efforts were done in accordance with the National Contingency Plan.

If you are able to provide this and agree, following your review of the incident and our package, I would appreciate if you could send an email addressing the two items above to the NPFC claims manager and cc me:

Christopher Marzoni - Claims Manager
CG NATIONAL POLLUTION FUNDS CENTER
US COAST GUARD STOP 7605
Phone:(202) 795-6102
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If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,
Colin Falato



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From: Walden, Ted [<mailto:Walden.Ted@epa.gov>]
Sent: Friday, July 13, 2018 3:51 PM
To: Colin Falato
Subject: Re: HEPACO NPFC

Colin, hi. Yes, I received it and have looked over it. I don't have any comments other than to note that I was not the EPA OSC of record for this discharge event and would further note that an EPA Region 4 OSC did not respond to this discharge event in May 2017. I conducted a SPCC inspection at the facility in October 2017. Good luck with this. I'm not sure what else I can do but if someone would like to discuss with me further, call me in the office next week.

Ted Walden

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From: Colin Falato <cfalato@hepaco.com>
Sent: Monday, July 9, 2018 2:08:58 PM
To: Walden, Ted
Subject: HEPACO NPFC

Good Afternoon Ted,

I am reaching out to confirm that you received the packet of NPFC support information last week for the HEPACO response to the May 18, 2017 spill at the Invictus Energy Property in Ft. Mitchell, AL. Please let me know if you did not receive it and/or if there are any questions I can address for you.

Thank you,
Colin



Colin P. Falato

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